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In re Application of:) David Carl BURDICK et al.

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For: PHYTOSTEROL AND/OR

PHYTOSTANOL DERIVATIVES

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2003, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before May 13, 2003. 37 CFR § 1.8. No fee is believed to be due. If it is determined that a fee is due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.